

Gainful Employment Regulation Information

The Department of Education's Gainful Employment regulation requires educational institutions to report specified information about "Gainful Employment Programs" in order for those programs to be eligible for federal student financial aid. "Gainful Employment Programs" are degree and certificate programs that lead to gainful employment in a recognized occupation. The information reported for each program includes the following:

Certificate Name

Total Required Units – the minimum required units to complete the program

CIP Code – the "Classification of Instructional Programs" code from the National Center for Educational Statistics

Normal Semesters to Complete – the number of semesters a in which a full-time student could complete a program

Percent of Graduates Completing in Normal Time – based on the proportion of program completers who finished within the *Normal Semesters to Complete*, counting from the first time the student took a career or technical course. Programs with few full-time students have lower percentages of students completing in normal time.

Pass Rate on License Exams

Cost of Tuition – the per-unit fees multiplied by the *Total Required Units*

Cost of Fees – the sum of the fees paid by a student completing in the *Normal Semesters to Complete*

Cost of Books/Supplies – the average total expenditure on books and supplies for students in the program

Median Loan Debt – the median total amount of the student financial aid awards received for students completing the program

Career Options – Standard Occupational Classification from the Bureau of Labor Statistics associated with the program